Lineage and Honors History Of the 23 Information Operations Squadron (ACC)

Lineage. Constituted 23 Photographic Reconnaissance Squadron on 14 Jul 1942.

Activated on 2 Sep 1942. Redesignated: 23 Photographic Squadron (Light) on 6 Feb
1943; 23 Photographic Reconnaissance Squadron on 13 Nov 1943. Inactivated on 12
Sep 1945. Consolidated (1 Oct 1993) with the 6947 Electronic Security Squadron which was activated on 1 Jul 1986. Redesignated 23 Intelligence Squadron on 1 Oct 1993.

Inactivated on 30 Jun 1996. Redesignated 23 Information Operations Squadron on 17 Jul 2000. Activated 1 Aug 2000.

Honors.

Service Streamers. None.
Campaign Streamers. World War II
Air Offensive Europe, 1942-1944;
Naples-Foggia, 1943-1944;
Rome-Arno, 1944;
Normandy, 1944;
Northern France, 1944;
Southern France, 1944;
North Apennines, 1944-1945;
Rhineland, 1944-1945;
Central Europe, 1945;
Po Valley, 1945;
Air Combat, EAME Theater, 1941-1945.

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers. None.

Decorations. Distinguished Unit Citation: MTO, 28 Aug 1944. Air Force

Outstanding Unit Awards: 1 Jan 1990-31 Dec 1991; 1 Oct 1993-30 Sep 1994; 1 Oct
1994-30 Sep 1995 French Croix de Guerre with Silver-Gilt Star: 15 Aug 1943-15 Oct
1944.

Assignments. 5 Photographic (later, 5 Photographic Reconnaissance and Mapping; 5 Photographic Reconnaissance; 5 Photographic) Group, 2 Sep 1942 (attached to 3

Photographic Reconnaissance and Mapping [later, 3 Photographic]) Group, c. 15 Jul-8 Sep 1943, 9 Feb-9 Mar 1944. 23 Aug-15 Nov 1944); 3 Photographic (later, 3 Reconnaissance) Group, 15 Nov 1944-12 Sep 1945. 6940 Electronic Security Wing, 1 Jul 1986; Continental Electronic Security Division, 1 Apr 1987; 694 Electronic Security Wing, 15 Jul 1988; Continental Electronic Security Division, 1 Jan 1991; 693 Intelligence Wing, 1 Oct 1991; 67 Intelligence Group, 1 Oct 1993-30 Jun 1996. 318 Information Operations Group, 1 Aug 2000-.

Stations. Colorado Springs, CO, 2 Sep 1942-8 Aug 1943; La Marsa, Tunisia, 8 Sep 1943 (air echelon at La Marsa from 13 Jul 1943; operated from Foggia, Italy, after 18 Nov 1943); Foggia, Italy, 30 Nov 1943; San Severo, Italy, 10 Dec 1943; Alghero, Sardinia, 2 Feb 1944 (detachment operated from San Severo, Italy, until 17 Feb 1944); Borgo, Corsica, 14 Jul 1944 (detachment at Le Luc, France, 20 Aug-8 Sep 1944; unit operated therefrom, 1-7 Sep 1944); Valence, France, 5 Sep 1944 (detachment operated from Satolas-et-Bonce, France, 7-23 Sep 1944, and from Dijon, France, 23 Sep-c. 8 Oct 1944); Malignano, Italy, 13 Oct 1944; Florence/Peretola, Italy, 16 Jan 1945; Pomigliano, Italy, 23 Aug-12 Sep 1945. Key West, FL, 1 Jul 1986-30 Jun 1996. Kelly AFB (later, Kelly Field Annex, Lackland AFB), TX, 1 Aug 2000-.

Aircraft. P-38/F-5, 1943-1945.

Emblem. Approved on 15 Nov 2000.

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